

REMARKS

The allowance of Claims 2, 7, and 8 and the indication that Claims 4 and 5 contain allowable subject matter is noted with appreciation.

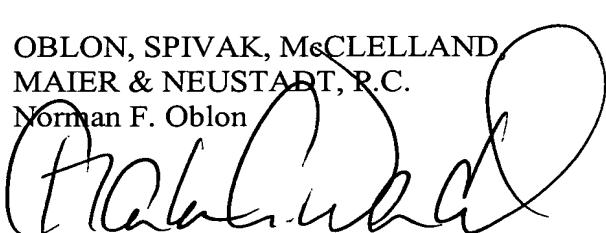
Claims 1 and 4-6 have been canceled, the limitation of Claim 4 has been placed in Claim 3, and a new Claim 9 is presented, an independent version of Claim 5.

The art rejections are moot in view of the cancellation of the rejected claims.

In view of the foregoing revisions, it is respectfully submitted that the application is in immediate condition for allowance. The Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned should any further change be required prior to formal allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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